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DOW CORNING(R) 344 FLUID**1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE AND OF THE COMPANY**

Dow Corning Corporation
South Saginaw Road
Midland, Michigan 48686

24 Hour Emergency Telephone: (989) 496-5900

Customer Service: (989) 496-6000

Product Disposal Information: (989) 496-6315

CHEMTREC: (800) 424-9300

MSDS No.: 01384872

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Generic Description: Silicone
Physical Form: Liquid
Color: Colorless
Odor: Odorless

NFPA Profile: Health 1 Flammability 2 Instability/Reactivity 0

Note: NFPA = National Fire Protection Association

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS****Acute Effects**

Eye: Direct contact may cause mild irritation.
Skin: No significant irritation expected from a single short-term exposure.
Inhalation: No significant effects expected from a single short-term exposure.
Oral: Low ingestion hazard in normal use.

Prolonged/Repeated Exposure Effects

Skin: No known applicable information.
Inhalation: Overexposure by inhalation may injure the following organ(s): Reproductive System.
Oral: No known applicable information.

Signs and Symptoms of Overexposure

No known applicable information.

Medical Conditions Aggravated by Exposure

No known applicable information.

The above listed potential effects of overexposure are based on actual data, results of studies performed upon similar compositions.

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component data and/or expert review of the product. Please refer to Section 11 for the detailed toxicology information.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

<u>CAS Number</u>	<u>Wt %</u>	<u>Component Name</u>
556-67-2	> 60.0	Octamethylcyclotetrasiloxane
541-02-6	10.0 - 30.0	Decamethylcyclopentasiloxane

The above components are hazardous as defined in 29 CFR 1910.1200.

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Eye:	Immediately flush with water for 15 minutes.
Skin:	No first aid should be needed.
Inhalation:	Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention if ill effects persist.
Oral:	No first aid should be needed.
Notes to Physician:	Treat according to person's condition and specifics of exposure.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Flash Point:	136 °F / 57.8 °C (Tag Closed Cup) 132.8 °F / 56 °C (Cleveland Open Cup)
Autoignition Temperature:	Not determined.
Flammability Limits in Air:	Not determined.
Extinguishing Media:	On large fires use AFFF alcohol compatible foam or water spray (fog). On small fires use AFFF alcohol compatible foam, CO2 or water spray (fog). Water can be used to cool fire exposed containers.
Fire Fighting Measures:	Self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing should be worn in fighting large fires involving chemicals. Determine the need to evacuate or isolate the area according to your local emergency plan. Use water spray to keep fire exposed containers cool.
Unusual Fire Hazards:	Vapors are heavier than air and may travel to a source of ignition and flash back. Static electricity will accumulate and may ignite vapors. Prevent a possible fire hazard by bonding and grounding or inert gas purge. Fire burns more vigorously than would be expected.

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Containment/Clean up: Remove possible ignition sources. Determine whether to evacuate or isolate the area according to your local emergency plan. Observe all personal protection equipment recommendations described in Sections 5 and 8. For large spills, provide diking or other appropriate containment to keep material from spreading. If diked material can be pumped, store recovered material in appropriate container. Clean up remaining materials from spill with suitable absorbant. Clean area as appropriate since spilled materials, even in small quantities, may present a slip hazard. Final cleaning may require use of steam, solvents or detergents. Dispose of saturated absorbant or cleaning materials appropriately, since spontaneous heating may occur. Local, state and federal laws and regulations may apply to releases and disposal of this material, as well as those materials and items employed in the cleanup of releases. You will need to determine which federal, state and local laws and regulations are applicable. Sections 13 and 15 of this MSDS provide information regarding certain federal and state requirements.

Note: See section 8 for Personal Protective Equipment for Spills. Call (989) 496-5900, if additional information is required.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Use with adequate ventilation. Avoid eye contact. Avoid skin contact. Avoid breathing vapor, mist, dust, or fumes. Keep container closed.

Static electricity will accumulate and may ignite vapors. Prevent a possible fire hazard by bonding and grounding or inert gas purge. Keep container closed and away from heat, sparks, and flame.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION**Component Exposure Limits**

<u>CAS Number</u>	<u>Component Name</u>	<u>Exposure Limits</u>
556-67-2	Octamethylcyclotetrasiloxane	Dow Corning guide: TWA 10 ppm.
541-02-6	Decamethylcyclopentasiloxane	Dow Corning guide: TWA 10 ppm.

Engineering Controls

Local Ventilation: Recommended.
General Ventilation: Recommended.

Personal Protective Equipment for Routine Handling

Eyes: Use proper protection - safety glasses as a minimum.

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Skin:	Washing at mealtime and end of shift is adequate.
Suitable Gloves:	Avoid skin contact by implementing good industrial hygiene practices and procedures. Select and use gloves and/or protective clothing to further minimize the potential for skin contact. Consult with your glove and/or personnel protective equipment manufacturer for selection of appropriate compatible materials.
Inhalation:	Use respiratory protection unless adequate local exhaust ventilation is provided or exposure assessment demonstrates that exposures are within recommended exposure guidelines. IH personnel can assist in judging the adequacy of existing engineering controls.
Suitable Respirator:	General and local exhaust ventilation is recommended to maintain vapor exposures below recommended limits. Where concentrations are above recommended limits or are unknown, appropriate respiratory protection should be worn. Follow OSHA respirator regulations (29 CFR 1910.134) and use NIOSH/MSHA approved respirators.

Personal Protective Equipment for Spills

Eyes:	Use full face respirator.
Skin:	Washing at mealtime and end of shift is adequate.
Inhalation/Suitable Respirator:	Respiratory protection recommended. Follow OSHA Respirator Regulations (29 CFR 1910.134) and use NIOSH/MHSA approved respirators. Protection provided by air purifying respirators against exposure to any hazardous chemical is limited. Use a positive pressure air supplied respirator if there is any potential for uncontrolled release, exposure levels are unknown, or any other circumstance where air purifying respirators may not provide adequate protection.
Precautionary Measures:	Avoid eye contact. Avoid skin contact. Avoid breathing vapor, mist, dust, or fumes. Keep container closed. Use reasonable care.

Note: These precautions are for room temperature handling. Use at elevated temperature or aerosol/spray applications may require added precautions. For further information regarding aerosol inhalation toxicity, please refer to the guidance document regarding the use of silicone-based materials in aerosol applications that has been developed by the silicone industry (www.SEHSC.com) or contact the Dow Corning customer service group.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical Form:	Liquid
Color:	Colorless
Odor:	Odorless
Specific Gravity @ 25°C:	0.95
Viscosity:	2.6 cSt
Freezing/Melting Point:	Not determined.
Boiling Point:	>= 175 °C
Vapor Pressure @ 25°C:	Not determined.
Vapor Density:	Not determined.

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Solubility in Water: Not determined.

pH: Not determined.

Volatile Content: Not determined.

Flash Point: 136 °F / 57.8 °C (Tag Closed Cup) 132.8 °F / 56 °C (Cleveland Open Cup)

Autoignition Temperature: Not determined.

Flammability Limits in Air: Not determined.

Note: The above information is not intended for use in preparing product specifications. Contact Dow Corning before writing specifications.

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical Stability: Stable.

Hazardous Polymerization: Hazardous polymerization will not occur.

Polymerization:
Conditions to Avoid: None.

Materials to Avoid: Oxidizing material can cause a reaction.

Hazardous Decomposition Products

Thermal breakdown of this product during fire or very high heat conditions may evolve the following decomposition products: Carbon oxides and traces of incompletely burned carbon compounds. Silicon dioxide. Formaldehyde.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**Component Toxicology Information**

Recent results from a 2 year repeated vapour inhalation exposure study to rats of decamethylcyclotetrasiloxane (D5) indicate effects (uterine endometrial tumors) in female animals. These effects, which have been shown to be rat-specific, occur at the highest exposure dose (160 ppm) only, a level that greatly exceeds typical workplace or consumer exposures. Industrial, commercial, or consumer uses of products containing D5 do not represent a risk to humans.

Recent results from a 2 year repeated vapour inhalation exposure study to rats of octamethylcyclotetrasiloxane (D4) indicate effects (benign uterine adenomas) in the uterus of female animals. These effects, which have been shown to be rat-specific, occur at the highest exposure dose (700 ppm) only, a level that greatly exceeds typical workplace or consumer exposures. Industrial, commercial, or consumer uses of products containing D4 do not represent a risk to humans.

Octamethylcyclotetrasiloxane administered to rats by inhalation at concentrations of 500 and 700 ppm resulted in statistically significant decreases in the number of pups born and the live litter size in both the first and second generations. Prolonged estrous cycles, and decreased mating and fertility indices were observed following 700 ppm exposure in the second generation only. There were also increases in the incidence of deliveries of offspring extending over an unusually long time period (dystocia). Subsequent mode of action work demonstrated the effect on reproduction in female rats is due to delayed ovulation caused by a treatment-related delay in or blockage of the luteinizing hormone

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(LH) surge on the day of proestrus. This mode of action is not considered relevant to humans.

Special Hazard Information on Components

Reproductive Effects

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556-67-2	> 60.0	Octamethylcyclotetrasiloxane	Evidence of reproductive effects in laboratory animals.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Environmental Fate and Distribution

Air:	Low molecular weight volatile siloxanes in air are degraded by reaction with hydroxyl radicals, which is the dominant degradation process for most chemicals in the atmosphere.
Water:	Low molecular weight volatile siloxanes have very low water solubility and evaporate to air.
Soil:	Low molecular weight volatile siloxanes in soil are removed by several simultaneously occurring processes including volatilization, hydrolysis, and clay-catalyzed degradation.

Environmental Effects

Toxicity to Water Organisms:	This product is volatile and has a very short half life in the aquatic environment and therefore does not present a risk to aquatic organisms.
Toxicity to Soil Organisms:	Due to its volatility, this product is unlikely to be found in the terrestrial compartment.
Bioaccumulation:	Low molecular weight volatile siloxanes bioconcentrate in fish exposed under controlled laboratory conditions that are not representative of conditions found in the environment.

Fate and Effects in Waste Water Treatment Plants

Low molecular weight volatile siloxanes are efficiently removed (>90%) during wastewater treatment with approximately equal amounts going to the atmosphere and the sludge. Low molecular weight volatile siloxanes in treated wastewater effluent will be bound to particulate matter because of very low water solubility.

Ecotoxicity Classification Criteria

Hazard Parameters (LC50 or EC50)	High	Medium	Low
Acute Aquatic Toxicity (mg/L)	<=1	>1 and <=100	>100
Acute Terrestrial Toxicity	<=100	>100 and <= 2000	>2000

This table is adapted from "Environmental Toxicology and Risk Assessment", ASTM STP 1179, p.34, 1993.

This table can be used to classify the ecotoxicity of this product when ecotoxicity data is listed above. Please read the other information presented in the section concerning the overall ecological safety of this material.

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DOW CORNING(R) 344 FLUID**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS****RCRA Hazard Class (40 CFR 261)**

When a decision is made to discard this material, as received, is it classified as a hazardous waste? Yes

Characteristic Waste:

Ignitable: D001

State or local laws may impose additional regulatory requirements regarding disposal. Call (989) 496-6315, if additional information is required.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**DOT Road Shipment Information (49 CFR 172.101)**

Proper Shipping Name: Combustible liquid, n.o.s.

Hazard Technical Name: Cyclopolydimethylsiloxane

Hazard Class: C

UN/NA Number: NA 1993

Packing Group: III

Hazard Label(s): None

Remarks: Above applies only to containers over 119 gallons or 450 liters.

Ocean Shipment (IMDG)

Proper Shipping Name: FLAMMABLE LIQUID, N.O.S.

Hazard Technical Name: Cyclopolydimethylsiloxane

Hazard Class: 3

UN/NA Number: UN 1993

Packing Group: III

Hazard Label(s): flammable liquid

Air Shipment (IATA)

Proper Shipping Name: Flammable liquid, n.o.s.

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Hazard Technical Name: Cyclopolydimethylsiloxane

Hazard Class: 3

UN/NA Number: UN 1993

Packing Group: III

Hazard Class: Flammable Liquid

Call Dow Corning Transportation, (989) 496-8577, if additional information is required.

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Contents of this MSDS comply with the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard 29 CFR 1910.1200.

TSCA Status: All chemical substances in this material are included on or exempted from listing on the TSCA Inventory of Chemical Substances.

EPA SARA Title III Chemical Listings**Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances (40 CFR 355):**

None.

Section 304 CERCLA Hazardous Substances (40 CFR 302):

None.

Section 311/312 Hazard Class (40 CFR 370):Acute: No
Chronic: Yes
Fire: Yes
Pressure: No
Reactive: No**Section 313 Toxic Chemicals (40 CFR 372):**

None present or none present in regulated quantities.

Note: Chemicals are listed under the 313 Toxic Chemicals section only if they meet or exceed a reporting threshold.

Supplemental State Compliance Information**California**

Warning: This product contains the following chemical(s) listed by the State of California under the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65) as being known to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm.

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None known.

Massachusetts

No ingredient regulated by MA Right-to-Know Law present.

New Jersey

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Pennsylvania

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16. OTHER INFORMATION

Prepared by: Dow Corning Corporation

These data are offered in good faith as typical values and not as product specifications. No warranty, either expressed or implied, is hereby made. The recommended industrial hygiene and safe handling procedures are believed to be generally applicable. However, each user should review these recommendations in the specific context of the intended use and determine whether they are appropriate.

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